

GERMANY'S BOYCOTT.

Exclusion of American Beef a Surprise to Some.

Secretary Morton Gives His Opinion of the Matter.

HIGHLY IMPROBABLE.

Importation of Texas Fever Into Germany Not Likely.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 31.—The announcement that the embargo placed upon American cattle by the senate of Hamburg had been extended to the length of an exclusion of American cattle and dressed meat from every part of Germany was received with surprise by department officials yesterday. That Texas fever was merely a ground which Germany could adopt for enforcing retaliatory measures against the United States because of the supposed discrimination against German interests in the sugar schedule of the tariff bill was the prevalent impression. The German ambassador, however, assured the secretary of state that the measure of exclusion was inspired only by sanitary reasons and had no political motive behind it. Government officials are obliged to take this view of the case, since any other view might seem a reflection upon the ambassador.

Secretary Morton, who has just returned to the city from a trip abroad, had a consultation with Secretary Gresham about the matter, but the stringent measures just adopted were known. He assured Secretary Gresham that the exportation of Texas cattle was altogether improbable, if not impossible, according to the opinions of the experts of the department who have devoted much time to investigating the disease during the past year, and said he was confident that the supposed discovery of Texas fever was a mistake. When the press dispatch from Berlin was shown to the secretary of agriculture he expressed surprise. Exclusion of dressed meats he was at a loss to understand, because they are all inspected by competent government officials in this country before they are shipped. Texas fever, moreover, can be carried only by live cattle. The live cattle exported from this country are also inspected at the ports of shipment to see that they are not diseased.

Secretary Morton said he had no doubt that the German officials intended to act in the interests of the public health in excluding American cattle, as the sanitary regulations of that country are unusually stringent upon all matters. The secretary thinks the damage to be inflicted upon American interests by this action is greatly overestimated, as our exports of meat to Germany are comparatively light. From his observation on his recent trip Secretary Morton is convinced that the exporting of live cattle can not be made to pay as well as shipping dressed meats. The establishment of increased facilities for shipping meats in cold storage, he thinks, will greatly increase the American business.

SOUTH DAKOTA POLITICS.

Political Circles Excited Over a Letter From Bishop Marty.

ST. PAUL, S. D., Oct. 31.—A sensation was sprung in South Dakota political circles when it was learned that Bishop Marty, the Catholic bishop of South Dakota, had sent out letters to the priests of the state, urging them to use their influence for the re-election of Senator Pettigrew. On the letters are written in typewriter the list of the Republican legislative candidates and underneath in pencil is this: "Please use your influence for the election of the above named candidates to the end that Pettigrew may be sent back to the senate. M. Marty, bishop."

The bishop in an interview admits that he wrote the letters, saying that he believes the election of Mr. Pettigrew an important matter just now for the prosperity of the state as a whole, as defining its position on financial questions.

HESWALLOWED DIGITALIS

A Moberly Man Estranged From His Wife Attempts Suicide.

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., Oct. 31.—John E. Pittman, a well-known and wealthy business man of Moberly, some weeks ago became estranged from his wife, who came to this city to remain with her mother, Mrs. Nye. Monday Pittman came here, and made several unavailing efforts to induce his wife to live with him again. After his failure he went to the St. Charles hotel, where he wrote a letter to his wife, bidding her goodbye, after which he swallowed two drachms of digitalis and ten grains of arsenic. Half a dozen doctors have been working on him all day, but it is thought he will not recover.

Kebauka Democratic Quarrels.

OMAHA, Neb., Oct. 31.—Chairman Smyth of the Democratic state committee, has issued an address to the party declaring the element known as the administration wing, which bolted the state convention, is using every effort to elect the Republican ticket. He calls upon all loyal Democrats to repudiate the bolters. The bolters declare they are the straight Democrats, and that they did not quit the party convention until it fused with the Populists.

Spanish Cabinet Resigns.

MADRID, Oct. 31.—As a result of the cabinet council held yesterday the ministers have tendered their resignations. Minister Sagasta has gone to inform the queen regent of the action of the cabinet. It is believed that the crisis will be found to be difficult of solution.

GEORGE GOULD SUED.

While Out Quail Hunting He Is Made Defendant in Two Big Suits.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Oct. 31.—Two suits were filed in the circuit court yesterday against George J. Gould, president of the Missouri Pacific Railroad company. They were filed here in order to obtain service on Mr. Gould while he is enjoying his hunt in this country. The Sedalia, Warsaw and Southwestern Railroad company, at the relation of Dwight Tredway, who sues for himself and other stockholders to invoke the penalty of \$100 a day from April 17, 1891, to the present time against George J. Gould for violation of section 235 of the revised statutes of 1893, which provide in substance that it shall be unlawful to elect or appoint any person to any office of trust or profit or for such person to hold such office in any railroad company who is a stockholder or who is pecuniarily interested in any express, dispatch or fast freight or transportation company which has for its object the shipment of persons or freight over said railroad or any railroad in direct connection therewith.

The Springfield and Sedalia Construction company seeks to obtain damages for \$100,000 from Mr. Gould on account of the violation by him of a contract.

WORKINGS OF THE TARIFF

United States Consul Morse at Glasgow Makes a Special Report.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 31.—Further light is thrown on the workings of the new tariff act by United States Consul Morse at Glasgow, in a special report to the department of state. He says: "Large orders are being received by merchants here, since the passage of the new United States tariff bill, and many of them have expressed to me the opinion that the coming year will witness an unprecedented trade between Glasgow and the United States, both as to exports and imports. Every indication points that way. The enactment and operation of the law have given a new impetus to trade between Glasgow and the United States, the months of August and September showing a very perceptible increase in the number of invoices and the value of exportation, as compared with the preceding months. The status of exportations for the quarter ending June 30, 1894, was \$703,674; for the quarter ending September 30, 1894, it was \$954,953. As compared with the same quarter of last year, there has been an increase of \$251,279, all in the months of August and September."

Military Prison Board Dissolved.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 31.—An order was issued from the war department yesterday dissolving the military prison board and appointing a new board. The old board was composed of Brigadier General Wesley Merritt, Quartermaster General Bachelor, Lieutenant Colonel J. F. Barr and Lieutenant Colonel H. C. Corbin. The new board is composed of Brigadier General McCook, Lieutenant Colonel H. C. Corbin, Lieutenant Colonel G. V. Henry of the Fifth cavalry and Major G. B. Davis, recorder.

Strike Commissioners Report.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 31.—Labor Commissioner Wright and his colleagues on the national strike commission have completed their report on the Debs strike and it will soon be in the hands of the printer. The expectation is that it will be presented to the president within the next two weeks.

BRIEFS BY WIRE.

By the explosion of the boiler of the saw-mill of A. T. Krupp in South Parkersburg, John Krupp, son of the owner, and David Jones were killed instantly, and Benjamin Mounts was severely injured.

In Loraine, Ohio, while a number of men were digging a deep trench at the new Johnson Steel works, the earth caved in. A man named Griffin was instantly killed and a companion, whose name could not be learned, was fatally injured.

Martin Palaya, a 13-year-old boy residing near Grand Rapids, Mich., is charged with shooting Annie Kamantowitsky, a girl 6 years of age. The boy got angry while playing with the girl and her brother and shot the child in the head with a charge of buckshot. She is not expected to recover.

In Chicago habes corpus proceedings begun in August by Mrs. Anna H. Byers against Dr. Tallman, John Davis, Henry B. Shields and Peter L. Kimberly, to recover her husband, Ebenezer M. Byers, the Pittsburgh millionaire, have been dismissed on motion of her attorney.

In Detroit, Mich., eighty employees of the cutting department of the Standard Pearl Button company have struck in remonstrance against the employment of John Bell as foreman to succeed William Stevenson. Bell, it is said, was formerly a foreman in a prison shop at Chester, Ill.

Under instruction from Superintendent Byrnes of New York police captains went before the grand jury to submit evidence in 240 cases of illegal registration. The superintendent has many more similar cases which are not yet ready for presentation.

Perry Brown, one of the Cook gang of outlaws, for whom the government offers a reward of \$250, was captured several miles west of Tahlequah, Ind. Ter. Brown had taken shelter in a small log cabin for the night and was surprised and captured before any resistance could be made.

Alfred Merritt, ex-president of the Duluth, Mesabee and Northern road, has brought suit against John D. Rockefeller and F. T. Gates of New York, charging them with fraud and misrepresentation in securing a consolidation of the Mesabee range from them. He asks judgment against the defendants for \$1,226,400.

Dr. Peterson of Philadelphia who has been at Asbury Park, N. J., during the summer, died from apoplexy. He was 82 years old. Dr. Peterson was at one time associated with the late George W. Childs under the firm name of Peterson & Childs. His only daughter is Mrs. George W. Childs.

NOT BADLY SCARED.

People of Choctaw Nation Aren't Afraid of Outlaws.

They Only Know What They Read in the Papers.

THINK IT A SCHEME.

Scare Got Up to Hasten Opening of the Territory.

SOUTH McALLESTER, I. T., Oct. 31.—The people in the Choctaw nation would not know that there was any Cook gang of desperadoes if it was not for the sensational newspaper reports flying all over the country. There is no necessity whatever for proclaiming the Indian territory under martial law or the bringing of United States troops here to hunt train robbers with, as the United States marshal's force and Indian police are amply sufficient to cope with them and any other gang of robbers. The offer of a substantial reward by the government for the capture of a train robber dead or alive would break up lawlessness in the Indian territory quicker than a regiment of soldiers would. The majority of reports now being sent to the press concerning the Indian territory is for the purpose of hastening the opening of this country to white settlement for personal gain only.

Latest Report about the Cooks.

FORT SMITH, Ark., Oct. 31.—United States Marshal Crump received the following telegram at 11 o'clock last night:

"MUSKOGEE, Ind. Ter., Oct. 31.—Reliable information locates the Cook gang twelve miles north of here at the mouth of Blue creek, twenty-one strong. The belief is they aim to loot the bank here. Help is needed at once. Wisdom, Agent."

Colonel Crump has just wired fifteen of his deputies along the line of the railroad to report immediately at Muskogee. In addition he is now out notifying all deputies in this city to report at the depot at 2:30 o'clock in the morning to go to the scene. Free transportation is being offered to all persons who are willing to go. The information coming as it does from Indian Agent Wisdom, allows no doubt for the accuracy of the report. A battle is looked for in the morning.

BOLD BANDITS IN CHICAGO.

They Loot a Wholesale Jewelry House in Broad Daylight.

CHICAGO, Oct. 31.—A daring robbery was committed in the heart of the business center of the city yesterday afternoon. The amount of plunder secured is not exactly known, but was given as \$6,000, in watches and other jewelry. Soon after 2 o'clock G. W. Brethauer, the senior member of the firm of Brethauer & Co., wholesale jewellers at No. 71 Washington street, left the office, leaving his son in charge. Young Brethauer says he was bending over a showcase full of watches in the rear of the room, when two men entered the door. One of them carried a revolver, the other a knife and the other was armed with a piece of lead pipe about two feet long. The jeweler was commanded to throw up his hands, which he was not slow in doing. The two men then ordered him into the vault, the door of which stood open. Brethauer demurred, and one of the men, he says, caught him by the throat, threw him into the vault, and pushed the door shut. The thieves then proceeded to ransack the show cases and scoop the watches into a gunny sack.

The door of the safe stood open, and the bandits emptied the cash box in it, obtaining a considerable sum of money. All this required only a few moments, and the men soon made their escape. The senior Brethauer returned about 3:30, and soon heard a sound of pounding on the vault door. The vault door was hastily opened, and the imprisoned man taken out, nearly exhausted. So far no trace of the thieves has been obtained.

SECRET MURDER SOCIETY.

One Believed to Exist in Denver—Fallen Women Its Victims.

DENVER, Col., Oct. 31.—The autopsy in the case of Marie Contassiot, the French woman who was found apparently strangled to death early Sunday morning, leaves her death still a mystery. The coroner's jury can not decide whether she was murdered or not.

It is said there is a secret society on Market street, known as "The Macquereaux," composed of Frenchmen, who bring women from France, they agreeing to pay a percentage to the society. It is also said the society members have banded themselves under the high-sounding name of "Les Chevaliers d'Amour." The police believe this organization is responsible for the deaths of Len Tapper, who was strangled in nearly the same way as was Marie Contassiot, in the same vicinity a short time ago.

Prominent Lawyer Arrested.

PERRY, Ok., Oct. 31.—Hon. H. G. Steward, one of the most prominent attorneys of Oklahoma territory, was arrested here yesterday on a warrant from Sabathia county, Kansas, charging him with embezzling \$9,097 in 1894. Steward's friends swore out a writ of habeas corpus, and it seems now that the Kansas officers will not get Steward out of the territory.

A Principality Claimed.

NEW YORK, Oct. 31.—Henry Frederick Schatzel, who lives in humble surroundings above his little bake shop in Brooklyn, is about to bring suit for nearly 270 square miles of Texas land worth at least \$25,000,000.

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EDUCATIONAL REPORT.

Commissioner Harris on the Newspaper as an Education.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 31.—The annual report of Dr. W. T. Harris, commissioner of education, says that twenty-three per cent of the population attends school during some period of the year. The average period of attendance this year, however, is only eighty-seven days for each pupil. The report says: "It would seem to be the purpose of our system to give in the elementary schools to every child the ability to read. After he leaves school he is expected to continue his education by reading the printed page of newspaper and book. The great increase of public libraries in the United States is significant of progress toward the realization of this ideal. In 1892 we had over 4,000 libraries, with more than 1,000 volumes in each. The schools teach how to read; the libraries furnish what to read. But far surpassing the libraries in educational influences are the daily newspapers and magazines. We are governed by public opinion, as ascertained and expressed by the newspapers, to such a degree that our civilization is justly to be called a newspaper civilization. The library and the newspaper are our chief instrumentalities for the continuation of the school and the university. The lecture courses, scientific and literary associations are assisting largely. The work in the churches of the land is an even more potent factor in school extension."

AFTER MAIL ROBBERS.

Uncle Sam Issues Rewards for Their Detection and Conviction.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 31.—The postmaster general has issued the following rewards for the detection, arrest and conviction of highway mail robbers and postoffice burglars during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1895:

First—\$1,000 for the arrest and conviction of any person, in any United States court, on the charge of robbing the mails while being conveyed in any mail car attached to a railway train.

Second—\$500 for the arrest and conviction on the charge of robbing the mails being conveyed over any post route and who wounds the carrier of the mail other than a railway.

Third—\$250 for the arrest and conviction on the charge of attempting to rob the mails being conveyed over any post route, and who assaults or threatens the person carrying the mails.

Fourth—\$100 to \$200 for the arrest and conviction of any person on the charge of breaking into a postoffice and stealing therefrom.

All rewards must be claimed within six months from the date of conviction of the offenders.

A ST. JOSEPH WOMAN.

Arrested in Chicago Disguised as a Man—May F. Alford Her Name.

CHICAGO, Oct. 31.—While Captain Hartnett was passing through the Lake Shore depot yesterday the peculiar actions of a person apparently 60 years old attracted his attention. The apparent man was dressed in a gray suit of clothes, heavy boots and a black slouch hat and wore glasses. A conversation convinced the captain that the supposed man was a woman in disguise, and in consequence she was escorted to the Harrison street station, where she confessed to the truth. At first she absolutely refused to talk, but finally she said that her name was May F. Alford and that she resided at 109 South Twenty-first street, St. Joseph, Mo.

Her first story was to the effect that a negro had swindled her out of \$10,000 and that she was trying to evade him, as she believed he might be following her.

Two Important Jap Victories.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 31.—Two important and significant Japanese victories are recorded by United States Minister Denby in a cable to the state department from Peking. He says that the Chinese forces have been defeated at Chien Lien Chang and have retreated to Moukden; also he reports that the Japanese have taken one of the Chinese forts at Port Arthur.

Stand by Powderly.

TORONTO, Oct. 31.—The Canadian Knights of Labor have received notification from the general assembly that unless they drop their present friendly attitude toward Powderly they will be disfranchised. The local bodies met last night and resolved to still stand by the late grand master workman.

Johnson Breaks Another Record.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Oct. 31.—Johnson rode an unspaced mile in 1:57 4/5 yesterday, breaking all records.

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